

Current Project Particulars:

Country Club Drive To Gilbert Road

Scope:

3.5 miles, six lanes, divided by open median with cable barrier, and traffic interchanges at Country Club Drive, and Gilbert Road (to and from the west only)

Contract Award:

Pulice Construction, Inc., Phoenix: \$58.99 million,

June '00 **Duration:** 525 calendar days

from June 15, '00. **Total Earthwork:**

4.5 million cubic yards **Grand Opening** Celebration Jan 12, '01

Country Club Drive To Gilbert Road

(Phase B: McDowell Rd Bridge)

Scope:

Realignment of McDowell Road from its intersection with Gilbert Road to its crossing of the South Canal, including a new McDowell bridge over Loop 202 and Lehi/McDowell intersection

Contract Award: Pulice Construction, Inc.,

Phoenix: \$6.5 million, January '01

Fixed Date Completion:

Finish November 28, '01 **Total Earthwork:** 190,000 cubic yards

South Canal **Bridges**

Scope:

Bridges over South Canal for freeway's eastbound and westbound lanes, plus expanded box culvert structures for equestrian and equipment crossings

Contract Award:

R.E. Monks Construction Company, Phoenix: \$2.5 million, April '01

Duration:

130 working days (seven months) from May 23, '01 **Total Earthwork:**

40,000 cubic yards

Higley Road

Scope:

4.5 miles, six lanes, divided with cable barrier median. and traffic interchanges at Val Vista, Greenfield and Higley Roads (bridges over the freeway at each location

Gilbert Road

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Contract Award:

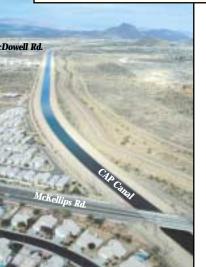
Pulice Construction. Inc.. Phoenix: \$53.9 million, August '01

Duration:

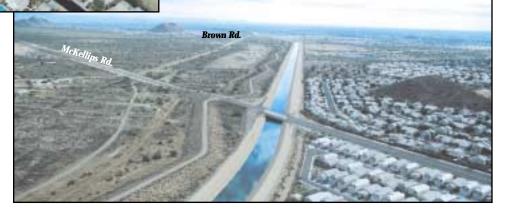
353 calendar days from September 20, 01

Total Earthwork:

2.2 million cubic yards







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WORLD WIDE WEB

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One of the major design decisions involved access to and from U.S. 60 at both Ellsworth and Sossaman roads. The preferred alternative will keep a full interchange at Ellsworth Road and a half interchange at Sossaman (to and from the west) at U.S. 60.

A new design team will provide services to complete the final engineering and design of the interchange, beginning this spring. The interchange will be constructed in several stages over the next several years. The first stage is scheduled to begin in early 2004 and will be completed by late 2005.

ADOT's web site (www.dot.state.az.us) will provide frequent updates on progress as work advances to complete the Red Mountain Freeway through Mesa.

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



RED MOUNTAIN CONSTRUCTION UPDATE LOOP 202



Accelerated construction will complete Loop 202 to Higley Road during fall 2002. ADOT and the City of Mesa have developed a shared financing plan that cuts time anticipated for completion of the entire corridor by up to seven years.

The aggressive program to finish the Mesa section of the freeway and connect it to the Santan and Superstition freeways involves many challenges.

Construction of the two-mile segment between Higley and Power roads will begin in 2004 and be finished in mid-2005. This project finishes an interchange at Higley, and completes interchanges at Recker and Power roads. At Power, ramps will provide access to and from the west. Both Higley and Recker roads will pass over Loop 202, while the freeway passes over Power and the Central Arizona Project canal.

From there, the freeway will follow an alignment parallel to and east of both the CAP canal and the Spook Hill Flood Retarding Structure to north of University Drive where it again bends south before joining U.S. 60.

Among the design challenges between Power and University is modification of the flood retarding structure for freeway interchanges at McDowell, McKellips and Brown roads. Construction will also involve extensive earthwork and utility relocations. The design team is working with the Flood Control District of Maricopa County to ensure the freeway is compatible with its needs for flood protection and the team is also working with CAP officals and other government agencies to blend the freeway with their long range planning needs.

Loop 202 is being built both above and below ground level, passing under McDowell, McKellips, Brown, University Drive, Apache Trail (Main St.) and Broadway Road. It crosses over Southern Avenue and over the Superstition Freeway.

The freeway-to-freeway connection between Loop 202 and U.S. 60 will be built in phases. The design of the multi-level interchange is being updated to meet current standards and future traffic volumes. During the past year, ADOT worked with the City of Mesa and a Citizens Advisory Team to establish a preferred design alternative for the interchange. Continued to Back Page.

